

The 2004 Toyota TAPESTRY program will award 50 grants of up to \$10,000 each and a minimum of 20 "mini-grants" of \$2,500 each to K-12 science teachers. Interested teachers should propose innovative science projects that can be implemented in their school or school district over a one-year period. Toyota TAPESTRY projects demonstrate creativity, involve risk-taking, possess a visionary quality, and model a novel way of presenting science. Entry deadline: January 16, 2004.

<http://www.nsta.org/programs/tapestry/>

#### "National School and Business Partnerships Award"

Created by The Council for Corporate & School Partnerships, the National School and Business Partnerships Award will recognize exemplary partnerships between schools and businesses around the country. Partnerships involving kindergarten through 12th grade public schools and/or school districts and businesses are eligible to apply for the award. The Council will present six awards in the inaugural year. Those selected for the award will receive national recognition and the schools or districts will receive \$10,000 to support partnership efforts. Applications sent via mail must be postmarked by January 29, 2004.

Online, faxed and e-mail submissions must be received by January 29, 2004.

<http://www.corpschoolpartners.org/award.shtml>

#### "The State Farm Practitioner Leadership Award"

The State Farm Practitioner Leadership Award recognizes a teacher, youth worker, or community member who has created a living legacy by equipping young people to lead and serve. The recipient must also have served as a model of leadership, helping to nurture others in the field to expand their service-learning knowledge and skills. Nomination deadline: February 2, 2004.

<http://www.nylc.org/practitioneraward.htm>

"The Alec Dickson Servant Leader Award"

The Alec Dickson Servant Leader Award was created to honor the vision and leadership of Alec Dickson, whose legacy in service and service learning continues to influence young people, teachers, agencies, schools, and communities. This award commends leaders who have had the courage, compassion, and creativity to overcome barriers and positively impact the lives of young people. Recipients are named and honored every year at the National Service-Learning Conference. Nomination deadline: February 2, 2004.

<http://www.nylc.org/dicksonaward.htm>

"State Farm Youth Leadership for Service-Learning Excellence Award" The State Farm Companies Foundation and the National Youth Leadership Council have teamed up to recognize K-12 service-learning programs that uniquely demonstrate youth leadership for service-learning excellence, defined as incorporating key elements of high quality service-learning, and having a sustainable impact on the participants and the broader community. Nomination deadline: February 2, 2004. HYPERLINK  
"http://www.nylc.org/excellenceaward.htm"<http://www.nylc.org/excellenceaward.htm>